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**KEATING, RICE: YESTERDAY SENIOR DHS OFFICIALS
REFUSED TO ACKNOWLEDGE RUSSIAN INTERFERENCE IN
OUR ELECTIONS; TODAY DOJ BRINGS INDICTMENTS
AGAINST 12 RUSSIAN MILITARY & INTELLIGENCE
OFFICERS**

Washington, DC: Yesterday, the House Committee on Homeland Security's Subcommittees on Counterterrorism and Intelligence and Oversight and Management Efficiency held a joint hearing entitled "Access Denied: Keeping Adversaries Away from the Homeland Security Supply Chain." During the [hearing](#), Congressman Bill Keating (MA-09), a senior Member of the Committee, and Congresswoman Kathleen Rice (NY-04), Ranking Member of the Homeland Security Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence, questioned senior officials from the Department of Homeland Security about Russia's interference in the 2016 election, and the officials refused to state definitively that Russia was responsible.

Today, Assistant Attorney General Rod Rosenstein announced indictments against twelve Russian military and intelligence officers who hacked the Democratic National Committee and the campaign of Hillary Clinton.

Said Congressman Keating and Congresswoman Rice jointly:

"We have known for well over a year that the Russian government conducted extensive hacking operations to influence the 2016 election. It was a deliberate attack by a long-time foreign adversary. And yet, just yesterday, senior DHS officials refused to acknowledge Russia's involvement. These officials, and the agency they work for, are tasked with protecting us from another attack on our upcoming election, which is only four months away. How can we expect them to do this job effectively if they cannot even acknowledge our most pressing threats? The endless attempts by this Administration to prop up Russia and obfuscate the Special Counsel's

investigation has gone too far and is putting our most basic democratic institution – our free and fair elections – at risk.”

The clip of Congressman Keating’s questioning can be accessed here: <https://youtu.be/lft-wP2PBX8>

The clip of Congresswoman Rice’s questioning can be accessed here: <https://youtu.be/FVfDNvRDbWQ>

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